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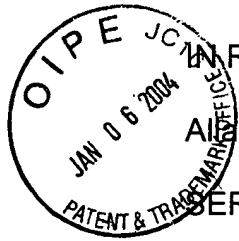
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the references listed below and on the  
attached for PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for  
consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent  
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English-Language Documents

U.S. Patent 6,499,027 Weinberger

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#### Foreign Documents

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This disclosure statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been completed or that no other material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a) exists.

It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, and the Manual of Patent Examining Procedures §609. If for some reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be called so that any deficiencies can be remedied.

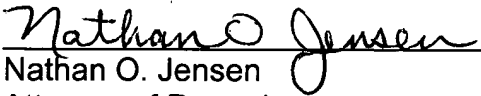
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